

Alumni Prove a Century of Excellence

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North has large numbers of alumni that contribute to their communities. Thousands have become successful in their fields and continue their education. Many have earned college degrees. A large number have volunteered time to various programs. Others have accumulated fortunes. North's alumni prove "A Century of Excellence." The alumni listed here merely represent the achievements of many others. Other names of interest on a list such as this can be sent to Marjorie Boh Knoll c/o The Alumni Assoc.

Elsie Ward - 1892

well known artist and sculptor, studied under St. Gaudens

W. Stuart Booth - 1895

Director, The Mother Church, First Church of Christ Scientist, Who's Who in America

Leonard Ingersoll - 1898

physics professor at the University of Wisconsin, contributed several important inventions to science

Roy Kent - 1898

outstanding in school loyalty, issued a letter to every member of his class yearly after graduation

John J. Cory - 1901

assistant superintendant in charge of secondary education and Emily Griffith School in Denver

George Parks - 1901

governor of Alaska from 1925-1933, Who's Who in America

I. B. Sutton - 1903

outstanding citizen of Tampico, Mexico, president of International Rotary

Spring Byington - 1904

well known actress on stage and screen

Burnham Hoyt - 1904

well known Denver architect, (designed the Colorado National Bank, Lake Jr. High, and Red Rocks Amphitheatre.) World War I camouflage artist, Who's Who in America

Greta Post - 1906

famous concert singer and teacher of music in New York and London

Helena Coors - 1907

from the well known Coors family

Donaldson McPherrin - 1907

Rhodes Scholar and professor at Boston University

Paul Whiteman - 1908 (East)

band leader, performed with well known stars-attended North, South, West, and graduated from East, "King of Jazz"

Clarence Eckel - 1910

Dean of the Engineering School at the University of Colorado

Howard Barlow - 1911

guest conductor of most of the major symphony orchestras of the U.S., conductor of the NBC Firestone Orchestra

Morris Esmiol - 1912

Outstanding Citizen of Colorado Springs

Henry Trustman Ginsborg - 1913

concert master with the Denver Symphony Orchestra, associate professor of music at Colorado State College

Golda Meir - 3/1913 - 6/1914

Prime Minister of Israel

Marcellus Chiles - 1915

Congressional Medal of Honor in 1918

Teller Ammons - 1915

governor of Colorado from 1936-1938, military governor of Guam, Who's Who in America

Edgar Woolard - 1916

astronomer in Nautical Almanac Office of the U.S. Naval Observatory

Mabel Eigler - 1916

Dean of Women at the University of Denver

Lucia Cassell Patton - 1916

noted for designing greeting cards

Emerson Sweet - 1917

lawyer, president of Bar Association

Gregor McPherson - 1917

reporter of the U.S. Supreme Court

Caroline Bancroft - 1918

Colorado historian and author

Stephen Strang - 1918

author of a book on dude ranching

Essie White Cohn - 1919

well known chemistry professor at the University of Denver

Creighton Peet - 1919

author of a book on the Navy, *Defending America*

Donald Wilson - 1919

top of the entertainment world with the Jack Benny Show for many years

Robert Virtue - 1920

internationally famous anesthesiologist

David Tulley - 1921

prominent of stage and screen

Wilbur Dexheimer - 1921

Commissioner for the Bureau of Reclamation

Milo Boulton - 1921

broadcaster

Ward Darley - 1922

president of the University of Colorado

Warren Lowe - 1924

city editor, business editor, and financial columnist for the Denver Post

Gwendolyn Olinger - 1925

Mrs. Francis VanDerber, well known Denverite

Ruth Eloise Wiberg - 1925

Colorado historian, known for her book *Rediscovering Northwest Denver*

Arthur Wuth - 1925

well known Christian Science lecturer

Harry McWilliams - 1926

director of advertising for Screen Gems Inc. (Columbia Pictures Corporation)

Margaret Overbeck - 1926

New York artist in stained glass, designer of

the Denver Flag
Joseph Lilly - 1927
 Federal District Court Judge
Ed Kuehler - 1930
 member of Dick Jurgen's Band and the Brown Palace Band
Margaret M. Smith - 1930
 East High School teacher, Colorado Teacher of the Year in 1967
Edward Pringle - 1930
 Chief Justice of the Colorado Supreme Court from 1970-1979, University of Denver law professor
Ben Bezoff - 1931
 war correspondent, regional director of war information in France, Belgium, and London, Denver commentator on international affairs
Manuel Boody - 1931
 prep and sports writer for the Rocky Mountain News
Earl Carson Harris - 1931
 reporter in Egypt in World War II, journalist, Hollywood publicist (for Marlene Dietrich, Bob Newhart, Jack Benny, and Harry Belafonte), started TV Weekly, Denver's first TV magazine
James H. Briggs - 1933
 Rocky Mountain News writer
Carl Wuertele - 1934
 distinguished flyer in World War II
Carl Gose - 1934
 known as Scott McKay on the stage and screen
Jack Lowe - 1934
 member of piano duo, Whittemore and Lowe, that played throughout the U.S., Canada, and Europe in symphonies and recitals
Ralph Paul - 1939
 nationally known television and radio announcer, appeared on "Strike It Rich"
Sam Archibald - 1940
 journalist with Associated Press in Washington D.C., professor of journalism at the University of Colorado
William Muchow - 1940
 prominent architect, designed Currigan Center
Bill Reed - 1940
 Channel 9 and Denver Bears' sportscaster
Ted Eaker - 1940
 Eaker's department stores
Bob Eaker - 1940
 Eaker's department stores
Nick Perito - 1942
 arranger and orchestra leader for Perry Como and other such well known stars and Andy Williams, Bing Crosby, and Steve Allen
Edward Carelli - 1943
 Denver Civil Court Judge
Barbara Bates Rush - 1943
 Hollywood starlet
Ben Drieth - 1943
 NFL official
Bob Shriver - 1945
 newscaster, sportscaster
Lincoln Day - 1945
 demographer on the faculty at Australian National University, author of three books and thirty-five research articles
Sherman Finesilver - 1945
 Chief Justice of the U.S. District Court in Denver
Pat Haggerty - 1945
 NFL official
Glen Payton - 1945
 land developer in Hawaii, presented every woman at the forty year reunion with a lei of orchids from Hawaii
John Litvak - 1945
 well known neurosurgeon
Virgil Jester - 1946
 Denver Bears, Milwaukee Braves, and Boston Braves pitcher
Irving Ettenberg - 1946
 Denver county Court Judge
Ed Lindell - 1946
 Dean of Arts and Science at the university of Denver, president of Gustavus Adolphus College in Minnesota
Chuck Garrity - 1948
 sports writer for the Denver Post and the Los Angeles Times
Mel Silverman - 1949
 cartoonist, artist, painter, put on a one man art show in New York
Mike Licht - 1949
 city auditor
Jerry Gart - 1952
 associated with Gart Brothers
Gene Johnson - 1952
 piano player and performer, starred in "Johnson's Junction" on Channel 2
LeRoy Arellano - 1952
 composer and performer with his brother, Andy, and father in a trio
Irving Brown - 1953
 sportscaster, does television commercials
Gail Medland Roberts - 1953
 television producer and writer (credits are "Hollywood Squares," "Run Around," "Perception," and "The Joker's Wild")
Bev Christiansen Fernald - 1954
 opera singer, performs throughout the U.S., performed with the Denver Symphony and Metropolitan Opera
Mary Emily Hannah - 1954
 president of the University of Wisconsin at Eau Claire, vice chancellor of academic policy and planning for the state system of higher education in Pennsylvania
Lloyd Selby - 1955
 Doctor of Veterinary Medicine and Doctor of Public Health, one of the nation's leading experts on birth defects in children and animals
Don Madonna - 1955
 first graduating class of the U.S. Air Force Academy
Jerry Ilgenfritz - 1956
 colonel at the Pentagon
Floyd Zamboni - 1956
 author of several algebra and trigonometry texts
Ken Malone - 1956
 studio drummer for Kenny Rogers, played at Kennedy's inauguration
John Lawrence Wiberg - 1957
 psychiatrist at University of Colorado Medical Center
Gordon Close - 1958
 with the well known Hilltopper's Band
Richard VanVleet - 1959
 actor, played Tyler in "All My Children"
Rhoda Krasner - 1960
 owner and president of Lakeside Amusement Park
Howard Lee Welner - 1962
 teaches at Hartford Medical School, wrote a children's book and two medical texts
George Betts - 1962
 Director of the Gifted and Talented program at the University of Northern Colorado, an expert in the area
Michael Johnson - 1962
 recorded a top ten hit called "Bluer Than Blue", appeared on television and has other albums
Beverly Martinez - 1964
 Channel 2 News and a noon hour show
Fred Villanueva - 1964
 Channel 2 newscaster and special reporter
Russell Vigil - 1967
 lawyer, Denver coordinator for the Columbus Project, an endeavor which involves sailing full sized replicas between America and Spain
Joseph Hutchison - 1968
 published a number of poems including a collection called *The Undersides of Leaves*, Governor's Award in 1982 for his book Shadow Light